

REMARKS

This is a broadening reissue application of U.S. Patent No. 6,355,046 B2, issued on March 12, 2002. This application is filed to correct an error in the patent which was made without any deceptive intention where, as a result of the error, the patent is deemed wholly or partly inoperative by reason of the patentees claiming less than they had the right to claim in the patent. In particular, claim 1 has been amended to recite that only a peripheral edge portion of the deformable intraocular lens is engaged with the enclosing member when the deformable intraocular lens is received in the enclosing member.

Furthermore, the limitations that the enclosing member has an open position for receiving the deformable intraocular lens and a closed position for holding the deformable intraocular lens in an enclosed manner, that only the peripheral edge portion of the deformable intraocular lens is engaged with said enclosing member when the deformable intraocular lens is placed in the enclosing member and the enclosing member is in the open position, that the optical portion of the deformable intraocular lens substantially does not come into contact with the enclosing member when the enclosing member is in the open position, and that the deformable intraocular lens is deformed into a smaller size when the deformable intraocular lens is in the enclosing member and the enclosing member is closed from the open position to the closed position have been moved from claim 1 to new dependent claim 39. New dependent claim 38 has been added to recite that when the enclosing member holds the deformable intraocular lens, only a peripheral edge portion of the deformable intraocular lens is engaged with the enclosing member. Support for new claim 38 may be found at column 7, lines 50-56.

All other issued claims (2-37) remain unchanged.

No new matter is introduced by this preliminary amendment. The claims have been amended to include only matter disclosed in the originally filed application. In light of the above, early consideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

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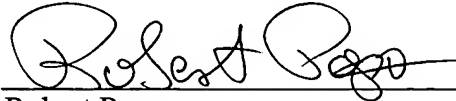
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